Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2020- 1:00pm – 2:00pm Learning Center Youth Room

Call to order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Selena Kelly Irvin

Members Present: Becky Cantrell, Cindy Elbert, Kara Towner, Selena Kelly Irvin and Shei Meza.

Absent:

Guests Present: Lauren Morris, CIT Mobility Coordinator and Nicole Bradley

Approve Minutes

Motion made by Sheri and seconded by Becky to approve the August 14, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Tribal member Nicole Bradley attended the meeting to find out what the Transportation Program was doing. She commented that she has used Yellow Cab and has sometimes had to wait a very long time, making her late for meeting her son after school. She also said she would be available for volunteering to do deliveries and errands for eligible Tribal members. The committee was grateful to have her join the meeting.

Committee Member Terms: Selena gave a synopsis of the founding of the Transportation Advisory Committee in September 2018 and the difficulty in finding people willing to serve. Term staggering and limits had previously been discussed but nothing was finalized. All current committee members agreed to continuing serving or the foreseeable future.

Update on Grant Programs and CCAT Services: Lauren updated the committee on the various Grant programs including:

- 5310 (non-carry over grant) on track to spend down
- 5311 grant agreement with CCAT finalized and resulting increase in bus services as a result
- STF surplus due to COVID and the sale of the 2008 Chevy bus and 2011 Chevy van
- STIF legislative modifications to preserve services and carry over funds in light of COVID slowing down transportation

Mobility Program services moving forward

- a. STIF volunteer program. Lauren is preparing a draft policy, job description and application for when we are ready to recruit volunteers. Getting volunteers who would use our vehicles for transporting passengers is on hold but it is possible that we could use volunteers to deliver goods and services.
- b. Temporary changes. The committee discussed the proposed temporary changes to the policy presented by the Mobility Program Coordinator. A motion was made by Sheri and seconded by Becky to approve recommending the temporary changes. Motion carried. The committee also requested the changes be retroactive to mid-March 2020. Becky also commented that the changes should be put through as soon as possible so people can be reimbursed.

To the question of making some of the changes permanent, Selena suggested, and the committee agreed, to start with them being temporary and revisit the subject at a later time.

Vehicle replacement: As noted above, 2 vehicles have been sold. The proceeds have been put into the STF budget for future vehicle purchase. The committee agreed to table discussion of purchasing a new vehicle to a later time.

Future meeting schedule: The committee agreed to set a bi-monthly meeting schedule on the second Friday at noon beginning February 12, 2021.

Next meeting: December 4, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the Learning Center

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm

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